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## INDIAN GOVERNMENT PLAN FOR HYDERABAD

### Forces Advance Within 63 Miles From Capital SECURITY COUNCIL MEETS

New Delhi, September 16.

India prepared today to take over the Government of Hyderabad as soon as Indian troops, already deep in the princely state, win control.

The India Government announced the appointment of two provincial officials to be joint civil administrators of Hyderabad, and of other Indian civil authorities.

At the same time, a military communique said spearheads of Indian forces pushing toward the Hyderabad capital from East and West are now only 125 miles apart.

In the West an Indian column reached Zaheerabad, 63 miles from Hyderabad City and 20 miles south of a Razakkar (Muslim volunteer army) stronghold at Bidar.

Another column rolled past Surampet to a point about 40 miles from Hyderabad and its military suburb of Secunderabad. The appointment of D.S. Bakhshi, Home Secretary of the Bombay Provincial Government, and D. H. Pandit, Secretary of the Bombay Health and Land Department, as Hyderabad's civil administrators, was announced by V. P. Menon, Secretary of the India States Ministry.

#### Interim Nature

They will work with Lieutenant General Mahanadi Shri Indraganah, Commander-in-Chief in the South, Menon said. A. V. Patra of Madras had been appointed director of Hyderabad's police and civil administration. They had been named for each district of Hyderabad, to be installed as rapidly as the regions come under army control.

#### Change In P.I. Immigration Procedure

Manila, September 16. Two Americans and 63 Chinese face deportation from the Philippines as a result of the new immigration order effective from today.

Commissioner Enriquez Fabre said aliens will be given until October 31 to leave the country and apply for re-entry from Philippine consulates abroad. They entered as temporary visitors and later obtained quotas for permanent residence without leaving the island. Regulations approved by the late President Manuel Roxas permitted this change of status.

At the litigation of President Elpidio Quirino, Fabre revoked the regulations retroactively to April 17, following Roxas' death. Fabre signed any alien who obtained a quota in the Philippines after April 17 must depart and apply for a visa elsewhere. It further provided that visitors who arrive henceforth must follow the same procedure to change their status.—Associated Press.

Manila, September 16. Large-scale evacuation of civilians from nine municipalities in Bulacan Province immediately north of Manila was reported to be underway today. It is part of the Government Central Luzon operations being prepared against the Hukbalahap peasant army. Associated Press.

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He emphasized that the appointments were all of an interim nature, to continue only until the people of Hyderabad decide for themselves what kind of government they want, as well as their future relation, ship to the Dominion of India. Zaheerabad is 10 miles east of Secunderabad, a military suburb of Hyderabad City.

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#### Deadline Laid

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Hyderabad's ruler is a Muslim. His populace is 80 per cent Hindu. The ruler has blocked all Indian efforts to bring Hyderabad in with the Dominion of India.

Today's Army communique gave this account of troop movements in other areas of Hyderabad:

In the Northwest—Indian troops have reached Atlinbad and advanced 10 miles along the Delhi-Madras railway.

In the Southeast—Troops found roads heavily mined, particularly in the Khannanetti neighborhood, East of Surampet.

In the Northwest—Indian forces have moved 40 miles South of Jalna.

In the West—Troops mopping up around Osmanabad captured 100 Razakars and 30 Hyderabad regulars and killed 30.

Meanwhile, in Paris, the United Nations Security Council was summoned into emergency session for 3.30 a.m. today in efforts to halt the Indian invasion of Hyderabad.

Another improvement came with the stabilization of prices at a figure somewhat higher than those of Shanghai but about equal to those in Hong Kong.

Surrender of small denomination CN notes, scorned by money dealers, continued at Government banks.

Elimination of blackmarket activities and caution on the part of traders people caused a slump in commercial bank dealings.

There is still some demand for Hong Kong dollars bought and sold behind locked doors, but in general sellers accept gold yuan.

The Economic Superintendence authorities are reported to have received instructions from the Ministry of Finance in Nanjing governing Chinese banks in Hong Kong whose need offices are in China.

According to the report, the instructions lay down that there

fore bloodshed spread throughout the sub-continent.

The Hyderabad invasion is the fifth war the Security Council has been called upon to halt in its brief existence and the second in India. The others were in Greece, Indochina, Palestine and the northern Indian state of Kashmir.

The major powers remained silent on just how they hoped to restore peace to Hyderabad and Hyderabad may have to determine to give the dispute a public airing in an effort to head off even more serious developments.

Despatches from India have predicted that Hindu-Muslim hostilities in Kashmir and Hyderabad may flare into a state-wide open war between the two Dominions of Muslim Pakistan and Hindu India.

Advance reports said the Indian delegation to the United Nations will attempt to prevent the Council from even taking the Hyderabad invasion under consideration.

Informants said India will argue that Hyderabad is not a sovereign state and has no legal right to appeal to the United Nations.—Associated Press and United Press.

He said that though full success has not yet been attained in British socialism, it is apparent from a long range view that the Labour Government is assured of ultimate victory.

"While certain changes have taken place in the British economic system," Mr. Chen said, "this has not in the least affected the policy of cautious, rational and intelligent selection of personnel."

"On the other hand, in the case of other enterprises, no actual steps will be taken toward nationalization until adequate preparations to operate them profitably have been completed."

Mr. Chen said that because of the controls and rational distribution there was no distinction between wealth and poverty in England.

He noted that under the socialist system particular attention was paid to the welfare of the underprivileged classes—a factor which he said had made it possible for all to live at peace.

He said that though labour received only meagre remuneration "great achievement has been made in providing insurance and otherwise promoting the welfare of the working classes."

In Shanghai today, a prominent foreign businessman, writing under the nom de plume "Merchant," urged the appointment of a Chinese counterpart of Sir Stafford Cripps to control all economic planning in this country.

The writer also urged the Chinese Government to initiate an export drive on the lines of what is being done in England, especially exploiting to the full the export capacity of the textile industry, as Sir Stafford Cripps is doing.

In such a drive, he said, the authorities should throw the Yangtze river open again to foreign shipping and bring vital export cargo to a port in as cheap and direct a manner as possible. He recalled that before the short-sighted policy of closing the river was adopted, ocean going vessels from New York or Liverpool could load or discharge cargo at Nanjing or Hankow, thus saving enormous costs in transshipment at Shanghai.—Reuter-A.P.

Any contravention of the Central Government's economic regulations by Chinese banks in Hong Kong with head offices in China will result in responsibility being placed on the head office which will suffer any consequent punishment that might be imposed.—Associated Press and Reuter.

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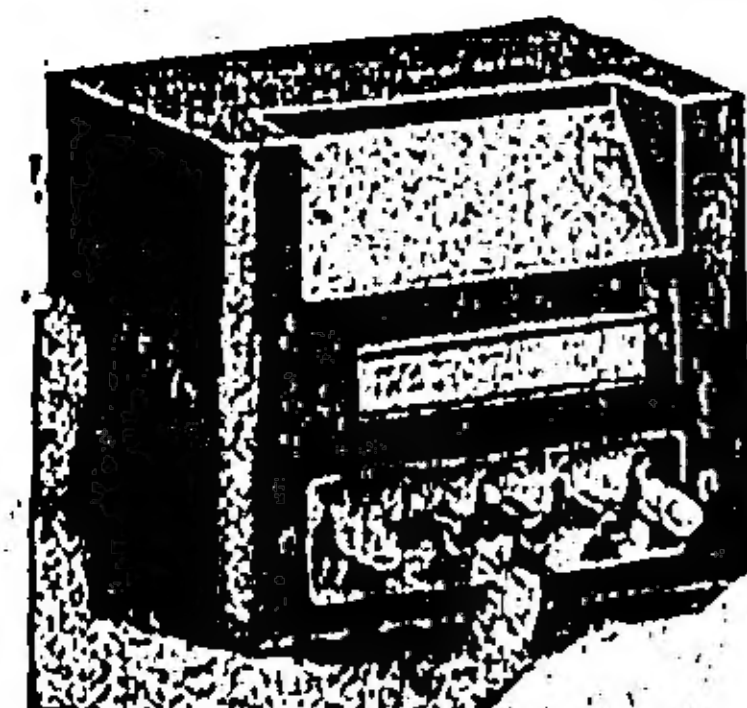
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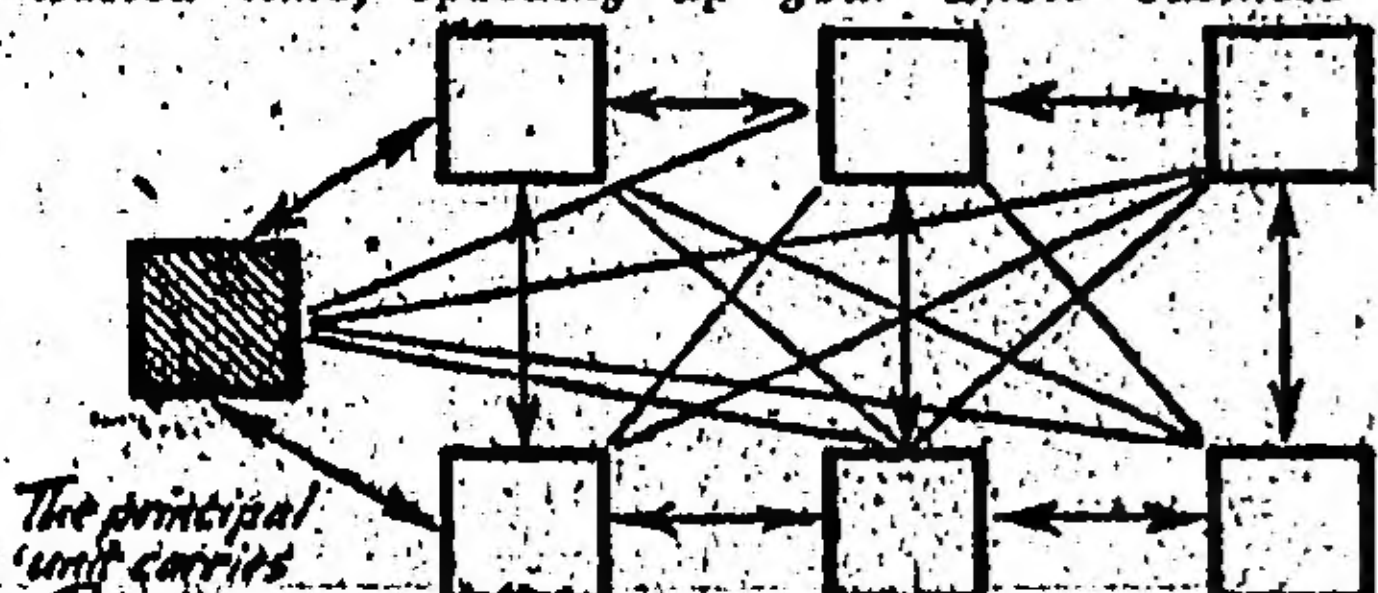
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## Godown Fire Enquiry Finding

In our report yesterday of the Enquiry held at the Kowloon Magistracy into the cause of death of two coolies, who died of burns subsequent to the fire at the Godown Wharf and Godown Company's "C" Godown on August 23, it was stated that the Jury found the Wharf Company at fault in placing in the same godown chemicals of various categories which should have been separated.

## Ship Has Teething Troubles

Lack of suitable repair facilities to cope with her intricate new engines was given yesterday as reason for the delayed departure of the 8,087-ton Castle Line vessel Muncaster Castle.

Some necessities, not available in Hong Kong, have to be ordered from the United States, it was reported.

The Muncaster Castle, the first post-war Castle Line vessel, made several futile attempts to leave the Colony after undergoing general repairs at Kowloon Dock since her arrival here last month. She is on her maiden voyage to the Far East to re-start the Castle Line's fast round-the-world freight and passenger service.

The former escort carrier, moved after a pro-war predecessor, or sunk during the war, arrived here after overcoming what were described as the "teething troubles" of a new vessel settling down.

She went to Kowloon Docks to make certain alterations to her funnel. The ship was cleared August 14 for Tokyo, but anchored in Junk Bay shortly after her departure and was taken back to Kowloon Docks again.

Three other attempts to leave Hong Kong failed because of engine trouble.

Equipped with a new superstructure and handling gear, the Muncaster Castle is commanded by Mr. A. Lacey. He has a cosmopolitan crew of Malaysians, Indians, Britons and Chinese. The Asiatic crew was recruited at Singapore and taken to New York by the motorship Ajax early this year.

An outstanding feature of the Castle Line ship is her "cargo-care" system, a latest innovation in protecting trans-oceanic freight. The system maintains a sweat-free condition in the holds, thus preventing shrinkage, warping and discoloration of the cargo.

## PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY

The Monthly Letter of the Photographic Society of Hong Kong, will be delayed this month. The next monthly meeting and dinner will be held at the Cyprian Wiseman at 7.30 p.m. on Wednesday, September 29.

Prints for competitions must be sent in to Francis Wu's Studio by Saturday, September 25. This applies also to the prints for the Special Subject Competition ("Bible"), which closes this month. The Council has ruled that each competitor may submit a maximum of two prints for the Special Subjects, not one, as has been the practice.

The finding of the Jury in its complete form was as follows: "These men died as a result of a fire in 'C' Godown of the Godown Company, the cause of which is unknown. There is no doubt that the categories of Dangerous Goods were mixed in 'C' Godown. Without the necessary segregation which should have been done, the goods so stored were not in themselves other than extraordinary hazardous commodities."

"There were NO SMOKING signs throughout, and the evidence discloses that the Godown Company were most fire conscious and fully co-operative with the authorities. The actions of the Kowloon Fire Brigade were commendable."

It is evident that both the heading and the relevant paragraph to which it referred misrepresented the true finding of the jury, quoted above, and we tender our fullest apologies to the Hong Kong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company for the wrong impression created and for any embarrassment that may have been caused.

## 5 American Consuls On Board

Hong Kong will see a unique sight at Kowloon Wharf tomorrow when three vessels bearing the American President Lines' "Eagles" berth side by side on their arrival here from the Pacific coast.

They are the President Cleveland, General Gordon and Marine Snapper.

On board the President Cleveland are five American consuls accompanied by their families, as well as many prominent persons.

They are Mr. Robert A. Aylward, Vice-Consul of the U.S. Department of State, Mr. Wellington Z. Myers, Vice-Consul at Canton, Mr. Alfred T. Wellborn, American Consul at Tientsin, Mr. Allen R. Turner, Vice-Consul of the U.S. Department of State, and Mr. William B. Douglas, Jr., US Vice-Consul, at Manila.

Several members of the American Board of Commissioners are travelling in the General Gordon. They include Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Swift and son, Miss Leona Burr, Mrs. Lydia Houston, and Mr. and Mrs. William Topping, of the American Board of Foreign Missions.

The three APL ships will leave the colony via Manila, Shanghai and Yokohama for San Francisco on Sunday.

Li Chan, a policeman attached to Central Police Station was charged yesterday with demanding a fountain pen. Mr. F. X. d'Almeida granted a remand of three days.

Inspector P. Lowe is in charge of the case.



MR. F. W. KENDALL

## GLAD TO BE BACK

Mr. F. W. "Mike" Kendall, Far East Manager for Philippine Airlines Incorporated, has returned to Hong Kong after an eight-week visit to Canadian and American cities.

The first comment he made as he stepped from the plane on Wednesday was "I'm very glad to be back here." In America, he said, everything is notably uncertain, the cost of living is incredibly high, and talk of war is general.

Another thing that Hong Kong can be justifiably proud of, he said, is Kai Tak airfield. He explained that West Coast airports are between 30 and 30 minutes travel from the centre of the towns and that the customs and immigration facilities for handling passengers are below the standard of Hong Kong.

In his eight-week tour, Mr. Kendall covered about 20,000 miles by air. He visited Vancouver, Victoria, Seattle, Portland, San Francisco and Los Angeles.

He utilized several of America's leading domestic airlines on his visits to cities in the United States. His conclusion was that air travel in the East is actually better than in the United States.

At the different cities he visited, Mr. Kendall contacted all travel agencies and interested him in the possibilities of tourist travel in the Far East.

He also gave a series of lectures stating the reasons for his opinion that the Orient is now ready to receive tourists.

## Further Remand

A further remand of two days in police custody was granted by Mr. W. H. Latimer at Kowloon yesterday when Lul Dip, Fung Hing and Lo Ka-fu were all charged on 16 counts of burglary, larceny and conspiracy.

The prosecuting alleges that the three defendants on various dates broke and entered premises in Kowloon ranging from offices to dwelling houses.

Their loot included typewriters, radios, clocks, sewing machines, cameras, clothing and large amounts of money.

Inspector Orom prosecuted.

## EUROPEANS REMANDED

At the request of the prosecution, a remand of two days was granted by Mr. W. H. Latimer at Kowloon yesterday, when Sergeant William Corry of the Royal Irish Constabulary and Samuel Thomas Gordon, unemployed and residing at No. 60 Jubilee Building were both charged with common assault on Chuk Mui-kang at No. 1 Middle Road on Wednesday.

Inspector Orom prosecuted.

## BOY KILLED

A fatal motor accident occurred yesterday morning in Gloucester Road when an eight-year-old boy named Lau Shu-ling was knocked over by jeep No. 2032.

The boy, suffering from severe injuries, was taken to Queen Mary Hospital where he died seven hours after admission.

There were quite a number of prospective bidders present, but after ascertaining that the land in question could not be used for the building of factories, there were no further bids after the one bid of \$500 by Mr. Tsang Shek-bun of 23 Pilgrim Street, Kowloon.

The annual Crown rent is \$750 with a term of 75 years, ending from July 1, 1898, and with a term of renewal for a further term of 24 years.

The amounts to be spent on the erection of a building and garden is to be not less than \$200,000.

The new tariffs, effective immediately, all-commodity express rates to the United States that are identical for Hong Kong, Shanghai and Manila.

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# GOVERNMENT TROOPS FALL BACK IN MANCHURIA CORRIDOR

Shanghai, September 16. Chongli, 40 miles southwest of Shanhaikuan, was the most important of several more Peiping-Mukden railway towns evacuated by Nationalist forces in the past 24 hours as the battle for control of the vital Manchurian corridor entered its fifth day, pro-Government despatches admitted today.

With the Red attacks showing no signs of abating, General Fan Han-chieh, commander-in-chief of the corridor, is reported to have warned General Wei Li-huang, commander-in-chief in Manchuria, that there was every possibility of the Communists launching an all-out offensive in southern Manchuria shortly for the purpose of dislocating the entire Government defence system in the northeast.

At the same time he expressed his determination to accord all possible protection to this area's autumn wheat crop, the seizure of which is believed to be one of the purposes of the present Red drive.

Meanwhile, General Fan's headquarters city of Chinchow is said to be facing a frontal attack by Communist concentrations around Thien and Koping, 40 miles to the North and East respectively.

To meet the Red threat the city has been placed on a wartime basis with the entire population mobilised for war work and strict martial law and curfew is in force.

With rail communications along the entire corridor paralysed by the fighting, a large fleet of transports, loaded with reinforcements for the Nationalist armies, attempting to check the Communist offensive, are said to be heading for the two Government-held ports of Huludao, 30 miles South of Chinchow, and Chingwangtao, just South of Shanhaikuan.

In North Manchuria, the Nationalist garrison forces of isolated Changchun inflicted heavy casualties on the Communist independent 4th Division in a surprise action last night in the Southwestern outskirts of the city, semi-official reports said.

For hours, Changchun is said to have rocked to the thunder of artillery fire and heavy explosions. It is believed that the main purpose of operations is to prevent the large force of Communists concentrated in the area from being sent to take part in the Manchurian corridor battle.

Chung Choo (Robbery by two or more, forcible taking with intent to procure a ransom; possession of arms; conspiracy, and receiving stolen property).

Mok Fu and Mok Sheung-kan (Assault with intent to rob).

Chau Chi-ming (Uttering a threatening letter and demanding money with menaces).

Tsang Hing-chai (Carnal knowledge of a girl under 13 years of age and indecent assault).

Lau Mau-chuen (Possession of arms and ammunition).

Lo Kam, Ho Fai and Lai Lup (Possession of arms and ammunition).

Leung Oi (Attempted murder).

Chan Chung-yun (Breach of peace and possession of arms and ammunition).

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## Quarantine Essential

It is essential that in all cases where a dog has inflicted a bite or scratch on a human being, the dog must spend 14 days in the observation kennels, a Government spokesman said yesterday.

If at any time this rule should be rescinded or altered, the public will be notified. In the meantime, even in the case of dogs which have been vaccinated against rabies, under no circumstances whatsoever will there be any exception to the enforcement of this rule, the spokesman added.

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# SAYS TENANTS WANTED TEA MONEY FOR RETURN OF FLAT

The landlord of certain premises, the subject of an action heard before Mr. Justice Gould (Puisne Judge) yesterday, alleged that he was told that if he wished to regain his own premises, he would have to pay \$10,000 "tea money."

The allegation was made by Wong Wai-chu, plaintiff in an action against Tang Sum and Lam An, defendants, for possession of the second and third floors of No. 3 Des Voeux Road West.

Wong Wai-chu, son of the plaintiff, alleged in April 1946, he was told that if he did not leave Hong Kong, he would be beaten up.

The plaintiff is represented by Mr. B. A. Bennett, solicitor, by Mr. Stanley K. G. of Messrs. Brattley & Company.

Mr. M. A. da Silva is representing the defendants.

The premises, the subject of the dispute, were purchased by the plaintiff during the Occupation. It is the contention of the plaintiff that the defendants occupied the premises without his consent.

Defendants claim that they had rented the premises from Wong Man-cho, an authorised agent of the plaintiff, who had issued rent receipts bearing the chop of the plaintiff.

## After Release

Wong Wai-chu said that after his release from internment in 1945, he went to Canton. He later returned to Hong Kong for the purpose of asking for the return of No. 3 Des Voeux Road West, which had been seized by the Custodian of Enemy Property. He was informed by Wong Man-cho that the premises had been let out without payment.

Wong Wai-chu said that he saw the persons who were occupying the premises and told them that he did not mind their remaining on the premises, provided they agreed to remove when he resumed business. The persons in question agreed to this arrangement.

He went back to Canton in April 1946. He was told to leave Hong Kong otherwise he would be beaten up. Before leaving, he told Wong Man-cho that he intended to resume business at No. 3 Des Voeux Road West.

## Informed Of Progress

He returned in August 1946 and consulted Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master about getting back the premises. When he left for Canton in September, he gave instructions to the interpreter of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master to keep him informed of the progress being made in connection with negotiations for the return of the premises by Government.

Wong Wai-chu, the plaintiff, said that he was the proprietor of the Wing Sang Hong during the Occupation since 1923. His son, Wong Wai-chu, had looked after the affairs of the business. He purchased No. 3 Des Voeux Road West in 1944.

Plaintiff said that he returned to Hong Kong from Canton in 1946 for the purpose of negotiating for the return of his house from the Government.

## No Authority

He had never at any time given any authority to any person to receive rent in respect of the premises, as he wanted the premises for his own business.

Wong Wai-chu said that he was introduced to an interpreter of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master and was told by the latter that he would have to pay \$10,000 "tea money" if he wished to regain possession of No. 3 Des Voeux Road West.

## Personalia

Arrivals by CPA yesterday from Bangkok and Singapore were Yee Kim-chee, Le Young, Keng Nin-seng and Gordon C. Co. from Manila; See Lin, H. G. G. Yip, Yip Gai-sun, Co. Siong, Ching Cing, and Tan Tang.

Departures from the Peninsula Hotel on Wednesday included Miss F. Beyer-Hallstad, Mrs. P. V. Tram, Mrs. E. Bouchery, Princess Mahit of Burma, Mrs. L. H. Truong, Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Norflick, Messrs. E. F. Watts, D. E. Landale, E. Fossum, C. Poulsen, E. Husher, N. H. Duckworth, Colonel H. G. Pailin, Colonel J. R. Luper, and Commander W. D. Glassman.

Among the arrivals at the Peninsula Hotel on Wednesday were Mrs. R. Araceta, Mrs. J. F. Thompson, Mrs. W. R. Boyer, Messrs. R. Subbiah, V. R. Raghavan, R. Aboray, H. B. Roelle, J. F. Hale, W. H. Tashman, R. E. Barker, E. E. Karch, J. F. Lannan, J. H. Harrison, A. B. Bowler, C. M. Hall, A. Domsgaard, K. Lund, A. J. Palmer, E. Holley, and Dr. J. C. Yen.

Miss Diana Press of "Annandale" Block O was married to Dr. Anthony Warren Dawson-Grove, well-known local medical practitioner, at the Supreme Court Marriage Registry yesterday in the presence of Mrs. Mary Lindeman and Dr. John Harold McManis.

## Lighter Company's Meeting

The annual report and statement of accounts of the Shanghai Tag and Lighter Company, Limited, for the period between January 1, 1947 and December 31, 1947, were approved at yesterday's annual general meeting of shareholders.

Profit for the period between January 1, 1947 and December 31, 1947 was £25,000,000,000.

In his report, the Chairman said that considerable losses were suffered during the year, including the entire fleet and launch fleet at Shanghai. Many of the latter were unfortunately recovered following the liberation of Shanghai. They were in a very bad state and the Board had no hesitation when shipping operations must take place in Shanghai to become apparent in disposing of the fleet to Chinese interests closely associated with the Chinese Government.

The company's registered British vessels—the larger lighters and the low boats—operated under some few different regulations. The alternative of moving the fleet bodily to Hong Kong did not commend itself to the Board owing to the unavailability of the fleet for the salt water and comparatively open harbour of Hong Kong and the necessity of entering into competition in a field which was already very fully covered.

## Lead In False Bottom

Wong Hung, aged 40, unemployed, was charged before Mr. Wicks at Kowloon yesterday with attempted larceny of 20 lbs. of lead valued at \$9 from the Kowloon Dockyard and going into a restricted area under false pretences on Wednesday.

Defendant pleaded guilty to both charges. He was sentenced to six weeks' imprisonment on the first count and cautioned on the second.

According to Inspector Evans, Wong got past the watchman by presenting his tools as a workman. Having got in he picked up the scrap lead, melted it, and concealed it in a small iron bucket with a false bottom.

In trying to get out of the docks he was noticed by constable Mr. Blenkinsop of the Dockyard Police, who on weighing the bucket, found it was too heavy for its size. On further examination, he discovered the false bottom and its contents, and arrested defendant.

## Furious At Diligence

When Lo Kwan, 30-year-old ship foki, learned of the devotion to work of a fellow foki he was furious.

Picking up a hammer he assaulted him, fracturing his collar bone and several ribs. The foki was taken to the hospital for treatment.

This led to Lo being charged before Mr. J. Wicks at Kowloon yesterday with common assault. He pleaded guilty.

Complainant, Shiu Har, stated in Court that on Wednesday, his master had given him a half-day leave in the afternoon, but instead of taking that leave he remained behind to work.

Defendant, thinking some plaintiff was doing this to curry favour from the master, became angry and beat him. Lo was ordered to pay compensation \$20 as compensation and was bound over to the court for 12 months.

Inspector Evans prosecuted.

## GAMES' FILM ARRIVES



Senior Traffic Officer, Mr. Ian Hutchinson of the BOAC, is shown turning over to Mr. W. Y. Mark, South China Manager of Eagle-Lion Distributors, Ltd., the Arthur Rank Organization technical film of the Olympic Games "The Glory of Sport", which has been brought out by special arrangement with BOAC from London. With them is Mr. L. P. Stack, the BOAC Far Eastern Sales Representative of Eagle-Lion—China Mail Photo.

## DISCOMFORTS OF COLONY WEATHER

Mr. L. Starbuck, Acting Director of the Hong Kong Royal Observatory, gave facts and figures about Hong Kong weather in a talk before Kowloon Rotary yesterday.

The talk, which was interspersed with jokes and humorous references, evoked a great deal of laughter.

Temperature in Hong Kong, said Mr. Starbuck, has a range of about 23 degrees, 82 in summer and 59 in winter, for the coldest and hottest months. Highest recorded temperature is 97 degrees.

Some people have attributed the discomfort they feel not so much to the heat as to the humidity, but this is only partly true. It is quite possible for you to feel comfortable at 100 degrees and to be thoroughly miserable at 90. For comfort the body needs a certain amount of loss of heat from it and a certain amount of evaporation of moisture.

Still conditions are much more likely to produce discomfort in the summer than when there is a breeze.

Summer is the wet season in Hong Kong, and 64 per cent of the total rainfall occurs in the summer half of the year.

The highest fall ever recorded was 21 inches in one day, four inches in one hour. This is about two-thirds of the yearly average for most of England.

Possibility Of Typhoons

Mr. Starbuck continued: The outstanding feature of the summer months in Hong Kong is the increased possibility of typhoons. Average winds for the various months fall to a minimum in August—hence so often your discomfort—but the deviations from the normal on account of typhoons are greatest then.

The typhoon just reported in the major blow of September 2nd 1937 of about 170 m.p.h. may be a world's record for official determinations on standard instruments. That is exceptional, naturally but during the summer, gale winds are always a possibility and the fact should be taken seriously.

Damage and loss of life due to typhoons in the China Sea area for the past century must amount to almost astronomical figures and this very real danger should at all times be borne in mind.

Typhoons are not a mere matter of possible suspension of transport services—they are for many a real threat to their very existence, particularly the floating populations.

Thunderstorms occur fairly frequently during the summer but the occasions on which there have been prolonged periods of thunder and lightning are rare. The summer showers, which so often appear in the summer forecasts, are usually of short duration but they should not be taken too casually, especially if you are out sailing in small craft. Wind gusts in these sudden squalls can be often quite high and sudden, and the equally sudden change of wind direction which is a characteristic of many of these short periods of deteriorating conditions can put a severe test upon the management of small sailing craft even with experienced sailors. A good many people have confessed to me that they have come very near disaster in a summer shower.

CLUB LUNCHEON

A free discussion was held at the weekly luncheon of the International Y. M. C. Club at the Hong Kong Hotel, Roof Garden yesterday.

Mr. Robert Bruce of the British Council was a guest. He was presented by Dr. F. J. T. T. The lucky number for a tea set raffish among members was picked out by Mr. Bruce. The winner is Number 40.

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## WILD ANIMALS LEAVE FOR US

Savage leopards, gibbering monkeys and hissing king cobras bid Hong Kong good-bye last night as the 9,000-ton APL freighter President Tyler left Hong Kong to complete her "wild animals" voyage to the United States. Caught in the jungles of Siam, the miniature floating zoo, which arrived here from Bangkok via the Straits and Manila, consists of full-grown leopards and panthers, black Siamese king cobras, wild cats, masques (monkeys), lemurs, pythons and 30,000 tropical fish.

## De Luxe Cabins On Cargo Ship

The 12,500-ton cargo ship America Transport, fitted out with de luxe but limited passenger accommodation, arrived here last evening from the Pacific coast on her maiden voyage to the East.

She carried 12 passengers, including Mr. Alan H. Laidlaw, Far Eastern Representative of the Pacific Transport Lines, Inc., owner of the steamer, who will make his headquarters in the colony.

Mr. Laidlaw, accompanied by his family, will be entertained at a cocktail party today on board the ship by the local agents, Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Serving in the war as a trooper, and an invasion craft and then as a repatriation ship after the surrender, the freighter has passenger accommodation equalling that of the finest luxury liners.

The ship's lounge, dining salon, cabins and other public rooms are finished with light oak panels and adorned with murals. The culling on board is claimed to be excellent.

The America Transport, designed and built at Jersey New Jersey, in 1941 as a most efficient freighter, operates the P.T.L. fast dry-cargo and refrigerator service between California, the Philippines, China and Japan.

She is the fifth acquisition of the P.T.L., which also owns the Pacific Transport, Hong Kong Transport, Philippine Transport and China Transport, which is due to arrive here on September 24.

Measuring 400 feet long with a 70-foot beam, the 12,500-ton vessel was originally named the Hawaiian Shipper and was constructed for the Matson Navigation Company. She was transferred to Britain during the war and renamed the Empire Fulmar.

She served first as a troop ship, making 20 voyages in the North Atlantic until the surrender of Germany. The Empire Fulmar was one of the invasion ships in the South Pacific war theatre. After the Japanese surrender she carried troops home.

The America Transport will leave for Manila today.

## BAN ON EXPORT OF MILK POWDER

Milk powder has been added to the list of Prohibited Exports. It was officially announced yesterday.

It was added that imports of sugar from Macao and China, including Taiwan (Formosa) now require a special licence from the Imports and Exports Department.

The King's birthday will be officially celebrated on June 9, 1949.

## ANNUAL SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIPS OF THE COLONY

to be held at the V.R.C. on

Saturday, 25th September at 9.30 p.m.

Tuesday, 28th September at 6.15 p.m.

Thursday, 30th September at 6.15 p.m.

Saturday, 2nd October at 9.30 a.m.

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# IITH KREMLIN MEETING? Talks In Paris After It STALIN TAKING HIS HOLIDAY

## Britain Said To Be Hostile

Rome, September 15.  
The Italian newspapers  
accused Britain of hostility  
when they reacted today to  
the failure of the Big Four to  
find a solution for disposing  
of Italy's former colonies.

At the same time, hope  
that something favourable  
would emerge when the  
United Nations discussed  
the question was expressed  
by Signor Giuseppe Brusca,  
Under-Secretary at Foreign  
Ministry.

He said: "The solutions  
which have been suggested  
are not only contrary to the  
legitimate desires of the  
Italian people but also to the  
local populations of our  
former colonies."—Reuter.

## General Addresses Police

Shanghai, September 15.  
Five hundred Chinese police  
officers were told to discard  
all traces of an "International  
Settlement" attitude and "de-  
velop a revolutionary spirit" in  
the execution of their duties.

Addressing the backbone of  
Shanghai's police force, Garrison  
Commander L. E. General Hsuan  
Ti-wu spoke on the occasion of  
the third anniversary of the as-  
sumption by the Chinese national  
Government of the police func-  
tions of the former International  
Settlement and French Conces-  
sion of Shanghai.

General Hsuan described "the  
present situation as an "emer-  
gency" calling upon the police "to  
show readiness to assist and pro-  
tect people."

"One newspaper construed  
Hsuan's admonitions to mean  
that he expects the police "to aid  
common people."

"Police Commissioner Schöberl  
Yu, who spoke briefly after Gen-  
eral Hsuan, urged his officers "to  
consider carefully the instruc-  
tions of Lt. General Hsuan."—  
Associated Press.

## RADIO

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12.30 p.m.—Daily Programme Summary.  
12.32 p.m.—Light Varieties.  
1.00 p.m.—"Accent on Rhythm."  
(HBCTS)  
1.15 p.m.—News, Weather Report and  
Announcements.  
1.25 p.m.—Orchestral Interlude.  
1.30 p.m.—"Music For You."  
2.00 p.m.—Class Down.  
2.05 p.m.—Programme Summary.  
2.07 p.m.—A Comedy Thriller "Tru-  
veller's Joy." Episode 2 "Dutch  
Courage." (HBCTS)  
2.30 p.m.—"Platter Time" Presented by  
Philip Burn. (Studio)  
2.35 p.m.—"New Year's Talk In Sport."  
(Studio)  
2.40 p.m.—"Way Down South."  
2.50 p.m.—"Music for Romance" Reg  
Lewand & His Players, with Jack  
Cooper to sing. (HBCTS)  
3.00 p.m.—World and Home News  
(London Relay)  
3.15 p.m.—Lester String Quartet and  
Lionel Terrie. (Vicia)  
3.30 p.m.—Orchestra Raymonde.  
3.45 p.m.—"Rape of Lucretia" An  
Opera by Benjamin Britten, with  
Joan Cross (Soprano) Peter Peers  
(Tenor) and other Artists with  
Chamber Orchestra conducted by  
Reginald Goodall.  
3.50 p.m.—World and Home News,  
(London Relay)  
4.05 p.m.—Weather Report.  
4.10 p.m.—"From the Films."  
4.15 p.m.—Dance to Guy Lombardo and  
His Royal Canadians.  
4.20 p.m.—Radio News Reel. (London  
Relay)  
4.25 p.m.—Weather Report and Close  
Down.

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London, September 16.  
Responsible diplomatic sources said on Wednesday  
that talks on the Berlin crisis will be switched  
from Moscow to Paris after the Western  
envoys' next meeting with Soviet Foreign  
Minister, M. Molotov at the Kremlin.

The American, British and French representatives  
expect to see Molotov—and not Prime Minister  
Stalin—by this week-end, the informants said.

Generalissimo Stalin is now  
taking his annual holiday in a  
resort at a great distance from  
Moscow, it was authoritatively  
learned in London today, and  
this is the reason why he has  
not received the Western en-  
voys this week.

Reports that he has refused to  
receive the envoys were described  
as inaccurate.

In any case, it was pointed out  
that the British Government, like  
the other Western Governments,  
is dealing with the Soviet Gov-  
ernment and not with Generalis-  
simo Stalin personally.  
It is therefore considered in no  
way out of the ordinary that the  
three Western envoys should  
have called upon the Soviet For-  
eign Minister, M. Vyacheslav  
Molotov, in their attempt to carry  
the Moscow-Berlin talks a stage  
further.

It is not known in London when  
Generalissimo Stalin is returning  
to Moscow.

## Play For Time

The Paris phase of the talks is  
expected to take one of these  
two forms:

If any hope of direct East-West  
settlement remains after the  
next Kremlin conference, the  
matter may be taken up by the  
Big Four Foreign Ministers and  
their advisers, informally rather  
than at a formal meeting of the  
Council of Foreign Ministers.

If no hope remains of settle-  
ment, the whole issue will be  
tossed by the Western powers to  
the United Nations.

Informants said they had the  
impression Molotov has been  
playing for time in the hope  
the Western powers "would  
choose the first of the two  
courses."

All three of the Western For-  
eign Ministers will be in Paris  
early next week for the opening  
of the United Nations Assembly.  
Mr. Molotov almost certainly will  
be there too, the sources said.

The Western envoys were said  
to have left with Mr. Molotov  
on Tuesday, without making  
statements supplementing their  
talks. These statements were said to have left  
the Russians in no doubt about  
how dissatisfied the West is about  
the meetings of the Military  
Governors in Berlin.—Associated Press.

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## Truman Backs Up Scientists

Washington, September 16.  
President Truman today ac-  
cused some politicians of creat-  
ing a totalitarian climate for  
scientists engaged in research  
important to national security.  
Mr. Truman spoke at Constitu-  
tion Hall before the opening ses-  
sion of the 100th meeting of the  
American Association for Ad-  
vancement of Science. Address-  
ing the nation's top scientists, he  
deplored the fact that some poli-  
ticians operated on the idea that  
scientific knowledge belonged  
only to them. The fact that  
American scientists were now  
subjected to public airing of un-  
founded rumours, gossip and  
vilification he said, created an  
atmosphere that was un-Ameri-  
can.

"It is the climate of a totalitar-  
ian country in which scientists  
are expected to change their  
theories to match changes in the  
policy state's propaganda lines,"  
He prefaced this conclusion with  
the statement that scientists did  
not want to work in ivory towers,  
but they did want to work in an  
atmosphere free from suspicious  
personal insult or politically  
motivated attacks.

This was an obvious reference  
to repeated Congressional efforts  
to get confidential Government  
records on the background of  
some top men involved during  
the war in production of the  
atomic bomb.—United Press.

## Scientists Resign

Oak Ridge, Tennessee,  
September 16.  
It was announced today that  
about 40 per cent of the best  
scientists at the national  
atomic laboratories resigned  
recently and vital research had

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## Civil Servants May Lose Jobs

Canton, September 15.  
Many civil servants of the  
Municipal Government here  
are expected to lose their  
jobs before the end of this  
month as the result of econ-  
omy measures, it is reported  
here.

If it comes about, the re-  
trenchment will affect some  
300 persons who, with the  
backing of sectional heads,  
are at the moment making  
efforts to seek a Government  
review of whatever retrench-  
ment decision they might  
have taken. Sectional chiefs  
are said to be strongly  
opposed to the proposed cut  
in staff on the grounds that  
even at present there are not  
enough people to do the es-  
sential work.—Reuter.

## Truman Administration Under Fire

Washington, September 15.  
The special Congressional  
committee will soon issue a  
report charging the Truman  
Administration's grain buying  
policy with forcing up food  
prices, it was learned today.

Representative H. Andersen,  
Chairman of the House Commit-  
tee investigating speculation in  
the commodity market, said he  
was now finishing the draft of a  
report which he will submit to  
the other members of the com-  
mittee for approval.

At the same time, Andersen  
said the committee is pursuing its  
investigation, and will have more  
to say at a later date.

He denied the timing for the  
release of the interim report  
would follow the lines of state-  
ment he initiated in the Con-  
gressional record dated August 1.  
That statement said: "Because  
of tremendous purchases of grain  
and food for foreign relief, the  
Truman Administration has com-  
pletely dominated the market  
and price of grains."

"Grain in this country means  
more meat, poultry and dairy  
products for consumers. When  
the Government bought grain,  
prices went up and when the  
Government stopped buying  
prices went down."—United  
Press.

been proportionately reduced.  
The spokesman at the labora-  
tories said only very few senior  
scientists had been replaced and  
the staff was below normal. He  
added that it was becoming in-  
creasingly difficult to secure re-  
placements.

He could not say whether the  
resignations were the result of  
attacks against the scientists'  
loyalty or from other factors.

About 1,000 chemists and  
scientists normally do research  
here on fissionable materials used  
in the manufacture of atomic  
bombs.—United Press.

## SPOKESMAN DENIES SOVIET ALLEGATION

Berlin, September 16.

A British spokesman said on Wednesday that Rus-  
sian troops provoked German anti-Communists  
into last Thursday's rioting which resulted in  
street fighting at Brandenburg gate.

The statement by an official British Military Gov-  
ernment spokesman rejected an accusation by  
the Russian Commandant, Maj. Gen. Alexan-  
der Kotikov, that inactivity of British Military  
Police encouraged "Fascist provocateurs" to  
attack Russian soldiers and the Soviet war  
memorial.

The statement said that Kotikov  
had "his facts wrong and is  
guilty of a piece of calculated  
self-inflation."

This was the third sharp re-  
joinder to Kotikov from the West-  
ern Allies in three days.

Brigadier General Jean Ganeval  
of France rapped Kotikov last  
week.

## Broke Pledges

He implied publicly the Rus-  
sian Commandant was a liar  
as well as a breaker of pledges  
for permitting Soviet troops to  
kidnap 19 Western Berlin police  
who had been guaranteed safe  
conduct by the Russians from  
the City Hall the German Com-  
munists were besieging.

Colonel Frank Howley, U.S.  
Commandant, recently said Koti-  
kov was responsible for "inter-  
national shame" in failing to pro-  
tect Berlin's elected City Council  
against Communist rioters.

Kotikov began the latest con-  
troversy by sending a letter to  
the British Commandant, Major  
General E.O. Herbert, complain-  
ing about the conduct of British  
police during disorders last Thurs-  
day.—Associated Press.

## Interested Only In Profit, Loss

Shanghai, September 16.

Tu Yue-pin, British-educated  
son of the city's foremost in-  
dustrial and political leader,  
Tu Yueh-hsen, who was ar-  
rested on September 3 in con-  
nection with the "grant bear"  
stock case, told a packed court  
yesterday afternoon that his  
subordinates were entirely re-  
sponsible for his stock exchange  
transactions.

Dressed in a long Chinese gown,  
Tu explained that he was only  
interested in the "profit and  
loss" of his business. The con-  
duct of his stock firm's business  
was entirely the affair of his  
manager who, however, failed  
to appear yesterday.

In an air of unprecedented ex-  
citement, the heavily guarded  
District Court also tried Liu Lo-  
Keng, big-time stock exchange  
operator, Li Kuo-Lan, wife of  
the Finance Ministry Secretary,  
Tao Chi-Ming and Yang Shu-Yao,  
wife of Hsu Chuan-Fan, an em-  
ployee of the Chinese Petroleum  
Company.

Mrs. Tao denied that she had  
learned of the "currency reform  
secret" from her husband.—  
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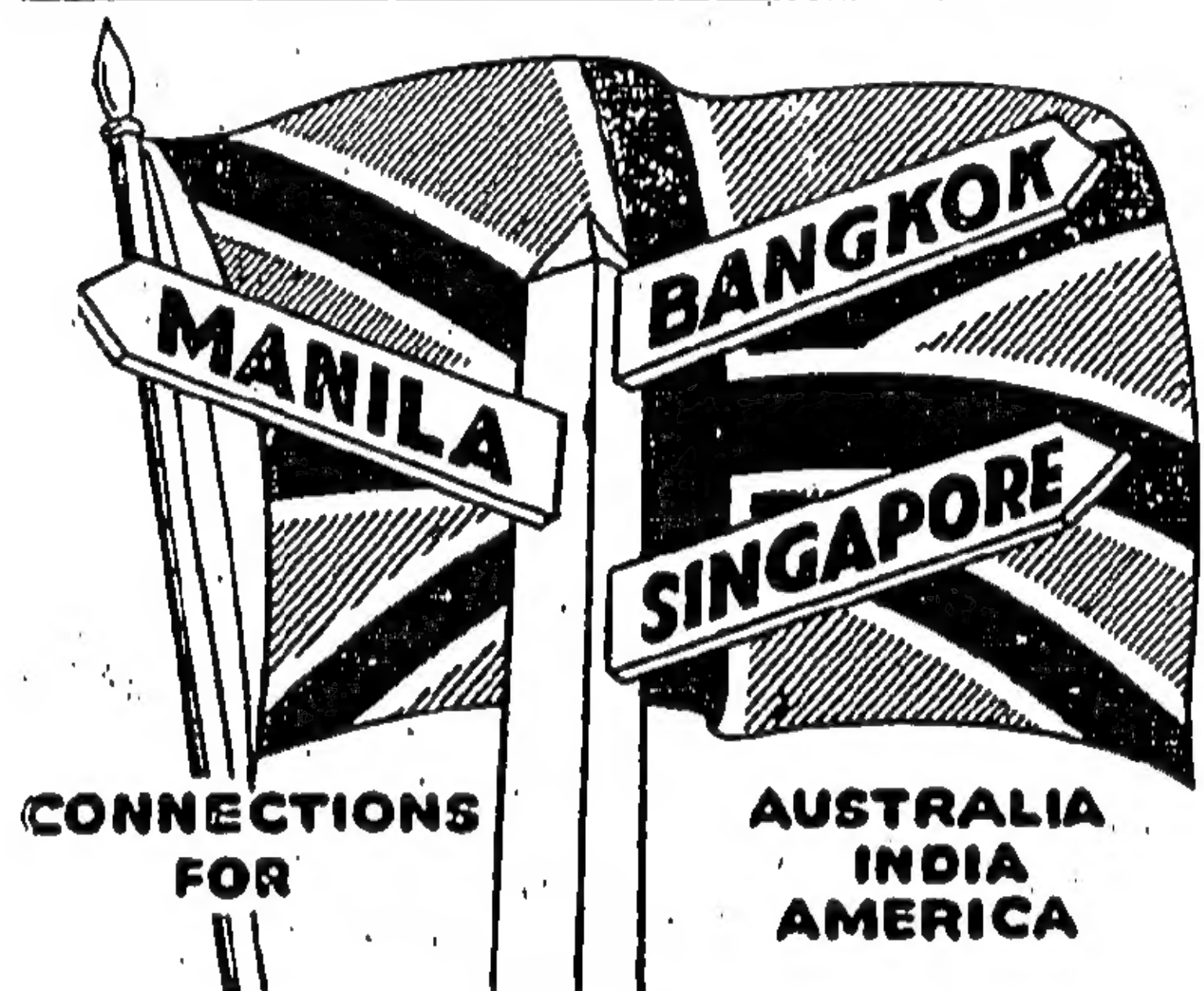
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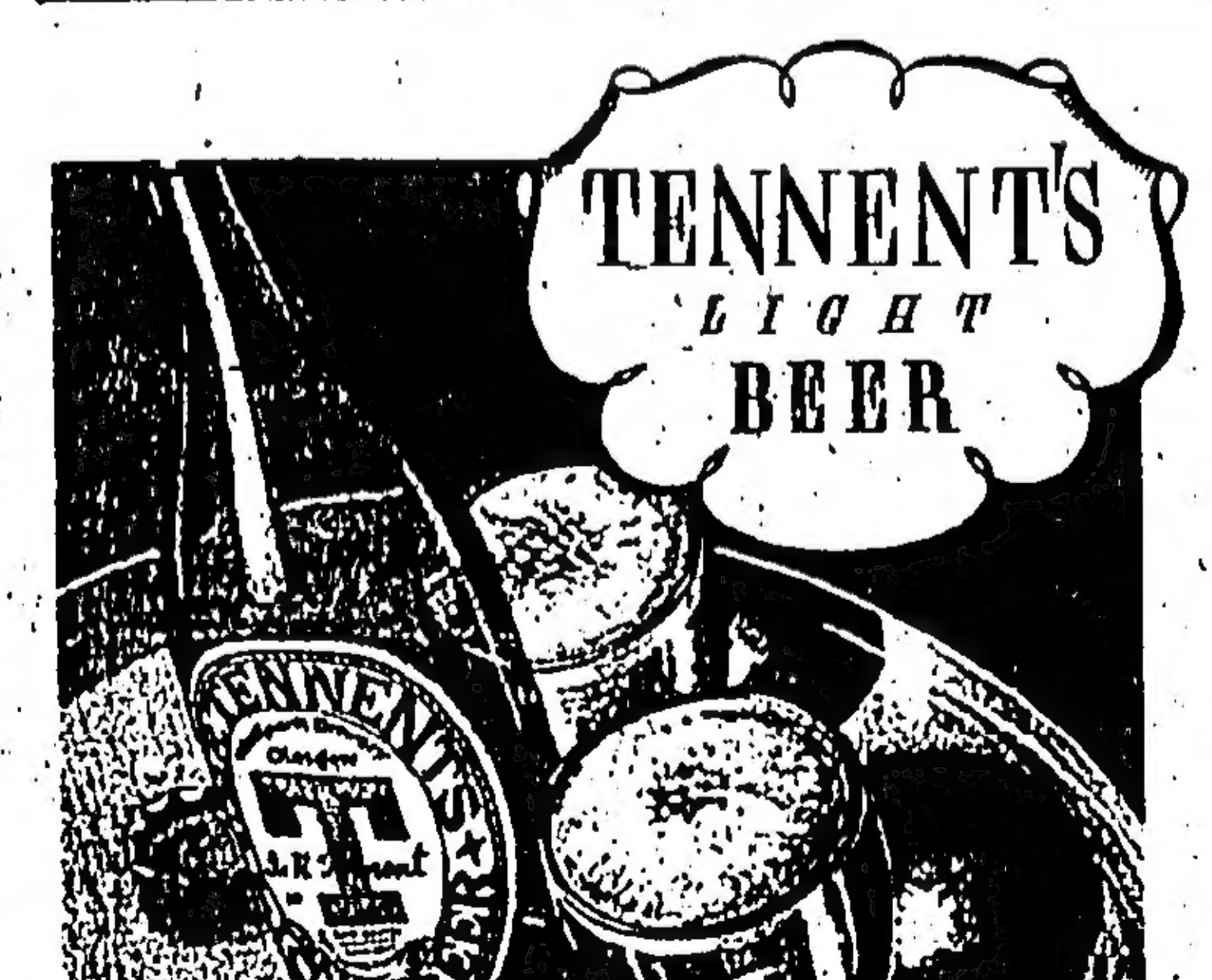
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## WAGES POLICY

The decision of Britain's trade unions to continue their support of the Government's economic policy is more significant than appears at first sight. The unions in this decision are obedient to the lead given to their annual congress at Margate by the General Council. It was realised that the Government's attitude on controlling wages, prices and profits would be challenged at the congress. Many, indeed, asserted that the policy of economic stabilisation had, in fact, broken down before the congress met. And it was actually said that the General Council had arranged a visit to the congress by the Chancellor of the Exchequer to persuade unions to "hold the line" on wages, and not criticise the Government too harshly for not keeping prices and profits down.

This interpretation of the situation facing unions at the congress was wide off the mark. It was based in the main on the fact that wages in important industries had been substantially increased since the stabilisation policy was formulated in the spring of this year. Neither could it be said that the domestic price level had not risen. Nor was it possible to say that profits had not been maintained at a high level and distributed in larger dividends. The facts seemed to contradict the plea that the policy of stabilisation was necessary and had been so far successful.

The T.U.C. General Council took a precisely opposite view of these facts. So did the Chancellor of the Exchequer when he spoke to the congress. The General Council, in a supplementary report to congress, said in effect that the Government by its own efforts and its encouragement of voluntary action of unions and employers had succeeded in securing a substantial measure of economic stability. It pointed out in its report that the rise in wages had only just kept pace with the rise in domestic prices. Having regard to the rise in world prices, a real measure of voluntary internal price restraint and reductions in many instances had kept the cost of living index from rising by more than two points. The results had been good, too, in respect of profits and dividends. No fewer than 95 per cent of the companies reporting up to August had declared, in terms of issued capital, the same—or a lower—rate of dividend this year than last. In other words, the profits distribution of some large companies has remained high only by comparison with preceding years of low profits and even losses.

The facts are that the Government's appeal for restraint has had its effect on dividends; price control has been tightened, subsidies affecting the cost of living increased; and overall the Government has managed to keep the national economy steady in the face of rising world prices. From the measure of success already achieved for the stabilisation

## WESTMINSTER REVIEW

## CONTRADICTIONS OF THE PUBLIC

By Roy Carleton

This midsummer Parliamentary recess has produced two contradictory reactions amongst our long suffering populace. They are displaying exemplary patience over their security silence which has so cleverly masked the Moscow talks with their terrifying potentialities for another war. But they are getting all heated up over the shortage of cigarettes. Indeed feelings are running so high that Edward Hill, General Secretary of the Bittermakers Society, which has sixty thousand members, made a speech a few days ago in which he warned the Government that unless the tax on beer and tobacco was reduced, the workers would revolt and their loyalty to the Labour Government would turn to hostility. He went on to use these words, addressed to Cripps: "It is not easy to persuade the workers that the Government policy of freezing wages is correct when Sir Stafford Cripps publicly increases taxation before the ink on the White Paper has time to dry. It should be clearly understood that workers in heavy industries do not intend to give up beer drinking or smoking. If we really desire to reduce the consumption of tobacco or cigarettes, then for the sake of the workers, ration them, and reduce their price by fifty per cent."

Strong Language

And on top of that pretty strong language has come an announcement by the Imperial Tobacco Company of a further five per cent cut in the supplies of certain brands of cigarettes on September 30. The storm of criticism will about reach boiling point by the time Cripps resumes his sittings and a debate on the subject, if it can be forced, would probably prove considerably more stormy than any on what other people might class as more important topics.

Sir Stafford Cripps, however, will have his answer ready for the warmed nation months ago that we were spending too many dollars on tobacco and he tried to curb this drain by increasing the import duty and by imploring us to eat down our personal consumption.

As a very mild effect to this irritating restriction, Strachey's committee on black market poultry and rabbits has just put in its report, as a result of which it is likely we shall be given decontrol of the humble bunny. This would probably result in a higher controlled price but this would be preferred to present method which has put this useful contribution to our diet almost completely out of the housewives' reach.

## Public Airing

These domestic issues and others of equally vital interest will all get public airing in Labour's own Internal Parliament, the Trades Union Congress at Margate. The TUC annual report contains several surprises. One is a call to the Government to ease up on Whitehall control of certain branches of industry by allowing each industry to have an overall allocation of raw materials which they can then share out among themselves instead of this being done at the top by Government departments. Another unexpected item in this report is the opposition to the idea that nationalised industries should be run jointly by managements and unions. Left wing trade union groups have been urging that unions should run nationalised industries and be represented in the House of Lords tried to embarrass the Government a few weeks ago with a suggestion that workers should be appointed as directors. So the TUC official opinion, now expressed in this report, to the effect that the qualities which fit men for trade union responsibility are not necessary the same as those required for executive responsibility in industry, is certain to be hotly contested.

## Foreign Affairs

Resolutions at this TUC conference which touch upon foreign affairs are not likely to cause Bevin many headaches. Ever haunting shadows to make this Parliamentary holiday anything but care free. Behind the calm disappearance of leading members of the Cabinet on holiday trips to Ireland and France and elsewhere, there have been feverish manoeuvres in relation to the Moscow talks and Mr. Attlee had to endure bedside talks with Bevin over high matters of State while

policy, it would be the height of folly and irresponsibility to reverse this policy. Such a reversal would not help Britain but might bring harm particularly to the working people. Britain has not yet reached the stage of convalescence; she is still in the stage of remedial treatment but the struggle is for survival, and sacrifices have to be made.

he suffered hospital treatment after his holiday trip to Elze. Hints that these long drawn out but veiled discussions with the Russians are now reaching a climax came in a sudden Cabinet meeting towards the end of the week under Mr. Bevin's chairmanship. Although, of course, details are not available it is a reliable assumption that the meeting dealt with the pros and cons of the next move if the Moscow talks should break down. Amongst these items would be a discussion with Montagu and other Service chiefs of a possible further slowing down of the present rate of release from the armed forces. Nevertheless there is growing optimism in political circles that Stalin's intervention at Moscow would be the scheme of the Russian currency in Berlin under Four Power control and if this hurdle can be successfully surmounted, present clouds may be happily dissipated. Whether this will lead to long-term settlement of other dangerous issues remains to be seen but meanwhile Mr. Attlee has made it clear to Mr. Churchill that the British Cabinet is not commoved of the proposal for convening a European Assembly which was put forward at the Hague Conference in May when the Labour Party was so much divided about propriety of supporting any international plans that were sponsored by Mr. Churchill.

## Funghsan Very Short Of Food

Canton, September 15. Reports of dire suffering among the people of Funghsan district, near Swatow, have reached Canton. The district is passing through a period of acute food shortage which has been caused by a severe drought followed by locust depredation. Most of the villages in that area are said to be subsisting on roots and leaves. With the dearth of rice in the market, the price of this commodity has soared and is now costing about 4500 for a picul of 100 pounds as compared with Canton's 4523 for 111 pounds. Reuter.

## Costly Materials

Rot Away On Island

Shanghai, September 16. American aid-to-China officials get furious every time they think of the immense stockpile of surplus rotting away in this country.

Funnelle in through Lend-Lease, UNRRA and the special cheap sale of US Army war-time surplus to China, tractors, barges, boats, construction machinery and a myriad array of basic capital goods are gradually being overgrown with weeds and vines on Point Island, 5 miles from Shanghai's famous Bund.

Charles Stillman, head of a special "construction programme" AEC mission to China, has stated that clearing up this mess of metal and organising it into useful and usable machines will be a test of China's ability to help herself.

Until a few days ago, it looked as though China was going to let the whole matter slide. But a survey reveals that cranes have moved on to man-made Point Island and that a start in sorting out the engineering material has been made. The vista on Point Island presents startling paradoxes. In a country where wood is so scarce that buyers measure boards with a tape rather than estimate roughly with the eye, hundreds of tons of lumber—felled from empty crates—are falling apart under the impact of rain and sun. Barrels, bottoms up, lie on top of each other in the long grass like so many shingles—splintering and warping with the seasons.

## Costly Waste

Rubber tyres on intricate construction machinery, lining several roads of this island, are estimated to be worth US\$300 each. There are four tyres to each machine. They are nearly all rotting and flat. Two hundred fishing boats, sailed across the Pacific at the risk of American lives, stand bumping each other at the island's east end. Brought out to China during an ambitious UNRRA programme—which yielded salaries of US\$800 a month to such "experts" as rope splitters—the fishing boats have sonar, two way radio, and the latest in refrigeration and marine engines.

After two years the tons of fish that these 200 craft—presumably destined to go on bumping each other until their bottoms hit the river bed—have caught can be counted on the fingers of a hand. Some of these once-splendid craft have begun to tilt. Hilthert the conveyance of the Point Island stockpile to China was effected largely by benevolent foreigners. All signs have pointed to the fact that once reaching Chinese custody official movement of the goods ceased.

Not Right Time

Letters that have been passed between Prime Minister and Leader of Opposition on this issue have just been published. Mr. Attlee says therein that the convening of any such assemblies ought to be done by Governments and not by independent organisations and then adds significantly, he thinks this is the right time for the Government to take this major initiative when their hands are so full with urgent and difficult problems. This appears to spike the guns of the next meeting of the Hague Conference but Mr. Attlee says he will refer France's proposal for a Parisian "Shooting Star"—a week known as F40 and already being outmoded. And the "Shooting Star" is not as fast as the British De Havilland "Vampire".

My information is that the Permanent Commission of the Western Union Powers will be asked to discuss the topic without calling on Britain and others to openly adopt the scheme first. This would give an opportunity for getting the details in decent shape in good time if, after all, it is found impossible to obtain acceptable working arrangements with Moscow.

## Street Fighting Among Strikers In Paris

Paris, September 16. More than 100 police and 30 workers were injured in four hours of street fighting on Wednesday when 90,000 aviation, automobile and steel industry workers went on strike.

While a Communist spokesman of the General Confederation of Labour was telling Renault Automobile workers to "strike until victory," the followers of General Charles de Gaulle began their own nationwide referendum on whether the voters want new elections.

## New Allied Press Club In Japan

Tokyo, September 16. A new club for Allied correspondents, known as the Overseas Press Club of Japan, has been formed with temporary quarters in the Shiba Park Hotel in Tokyo. This was announced today by the National Broadcaster's Commission correspondent, Mr. George Thomas Foster, Chairman of the Club's Board of Governors. Three former Presidents of the Tokyo Correspondents Club are among the charter members of the new press club—Mr. Howard Handelman of the Associated Press, Mr. Walter Simmons of the Chicago Tribune and Mr. Foster of the NBC. Other members are Mrs. Helen Foster of Newsweek, Mr. Charles Gerry, Associated Press Wirephoto; Mr. Richard Hughes, Kenessey Newspaper, Mr. Lindsey Everett, New York Times; Mr. Charles Roberson of the International Newsphotos; Mrs. Honor Tracey, London Observer; Mr. Gordon Walker, Christian Science Monitor; Don Warner, Reuters-Australian Associated Press; Mrs. Peggy Warner, Brisbane Courier Mail; and Mr. Frank White, Associated Press. There are now two Allied correspondents' clubs in Japan—Reuter.

## RED AIR SECRETS

Britain is not to protest "at the moment" against the flight of 13 Yak fighters over Western sectors of Berlin, says an official statement.

The Yak is Russia's principal interceptor fighter. It is a wooden-built and a piston-engine plane. Those flying around the Berlin air-lift area would be easy meat for British and U.S. jet-fighters.

Russia's MIG lacks good fire control but is likely to improve after a further year's development. Even then it is in full squadron use it could not compete with the British "Vampire," the 600 m.p.h. "Meteor."

By WILLIAM COURTENAY

Yaks are named after Alexander Yakovlev, most promising of Russia's younger designers. He is under 40 and second in command of Soviet aircraft production.

Russia could not, in fact, stand up to an air war against either Britain or America. This fact is expected to act as a brake on any Soviet High Command or Kremlin elements whose ambitions may tempt them to hostile acts. She has produced some jet fighters—with the aid of German jet scientists—but the only ones fully developed are the T.U. 2 (named after Andrei Tupolev, her best airplane designer) and the MIG.

The T.U. 2, a modification of a piston-engine warplane, is a two jet but none too fast. The MIG shows more promise, but its speed is believed to be no greater than the American F40 and already being outmoded. And the "Shooting Star" is not as fast as the British De Havilland "Vampire".

## HOTEL BON TEMPS

—Sir.—The recent spate of correspondence about Hotels is highly important, and must be followed by all your readers with grave attention. It is all the more unfortunate, therefore, that your sub-editor, when preparing for press the letter of Mr. Albert B. Serachett (Manager of the above named hotel) inadvertently got it printed on page 6.

But, once one has found one's way about, it becomes patently clear that your correspondent has indeed been trained on modern lines. It is to him, as to those whose method or follows, unorthodox procedure on the part of his guests to ring bells, snap their fingers or use the lifts, but established custom and trade usage for him and his kind to send people to Coventry. Or for him to cut off the current from guests' refrigerators, use their lavatories, deny them residents' meals, or increase their rates without warning—in fact to act towards them after the manner of the other dozen or so rough dictators that make the modern world such a happy place to live in.

I wonder, Sir, whether Mr. Serachett has ever published in his guest rooms or at his reception desk the daily and monthly rates in force at his Hotel? Has he ever suggested to incoming guests that monthly rates were, possibly, advantageous to persons intending to make a long stay? And has he ever informed those signing in as permanent residents that he would ask of them a month's notice and, actually, give the same to them should he prefer their room to their company? After many years of residence in this burg, I can suggest that Mr. Serachett has kept his established customs under his counter, traded on the past three years of intense shortage of accommodation to "take in the shekels," and frequently taken advantage of the rationing issued to him for residents' consumption to pep up his in canteen, at the expense of his table d'hotes.

It is possible that when a Government notices a swelling down of rates, its intention is to scale them down, and that it considers that some reduction is justified and even overdue. If, subsequently, that Government sets up a Committee to review the rates first proposed, it does not mean that Government has withdrawn from its intention to enforce a reduction, but that it is prepared to hear arguments against, and for the already published rates.

I feel most deeply for those hotel residents who, having been led by Government first actions to believe that at long last, something was being done to make life possible for them in face of a threatened business recession, are now suspended in uncertainty until, in Mr. Earlley's own words, 1st November, or such later date.

It is a bad thing to have a matter at once under study by an officially appointed committee and thrashed out in the press. The solution, however, may not be difficult, namely to open the closed shop. Hotels Advisory Committee to the public, so that the public may know what arguments are being put forward on the one side and the other and, if they feel like disagreeing with either, go and let off their steam before Mr. Chin and his fellows. Then the newspapers will report what is being said, and everyone will know what is happening. As it is, as soon as Mr. Chin's committee make their report, everyone will want to speak at once. It will need a Lane Norcott to bring us all back to sanity.

Outclassed

Thus Russia is hopelessly outclassed in the fighter plane field and can never catch us up on research or design.

She has copied a stolen B.20 and has some four-motored bombers in this class. America is leaving her behind with the B.20, a bomber capable of flying for 10,000 miles non-stop with 10,000 lb. of bombs.

Russia is also developing a four-motored jet bomber, the Ilushin, but at least three years must elapse before a single squadron will be equipped with them.

In all, the Soviet Air Force is about 15,000 planes, mostly of war vintage, the fighters not further advanced than the "Hurricane" with which the RAF won the Battle of Britain in 1940.

Thus, if Russian armour and armies moved towards Western Europe they could not hope, with her inferior air power, to penetrate very far.

## AUSTRALIAN MINER SHOT

Singapore, September 15. An Australian tin miner was shot dead this morning in Selangor State, not far from where terrorists murdered a rubber planter, Mr. George Wilson, last Saturday.

The police are withholding his name until his wife, who is in Australia, is informed. The police on an isolated Johore station fired at noises during the night. A deer was found that they had shot a full grown tiger.—Reuter.

## PI ACCEPTED AS NBA MEMBER

Philadelphia, September 16. The Philippine Islands' recognition as the 49th member of the National Boxing Association was officially accepted yesterday at the NBA annual meeting by Mr. William Kinn, of Honolulu, Secretary of the Hawaii Athletic Commission. Glan became the 49th member of the association on Monday.—Associated Press.

## Fighting Starts

The workers demanded a meeting with company representatives. The fight started over whether the labour delegation should have a police escort. Pushing and shouting led to fist fighting. In a few minutes the air was filled with paving stones and anything else on which the rioters could get their hands.

Fifteen police were seriously injured before reinforcements increased the steel helmeted police and mobile guardsmen to about 2,000. The battling subsided in an hour, but scattered fighting continued for some time.—Associated Press.



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**CINEMA WORLD****SHADOWS BEFORE**

"A DOUBLE LIFE" (King's). The higher culture, cannot resist a story concerning a very rich man who gets fed up with having so much money and does something about it. Let any crocus leap out of his pinstripe and into a pair of overalls and Hollywood is there in a flash.

It is, of course, Ronald Colman, playing the part of a great actor, Tony John, who actually becomes the character which he happens to be portraying at the time. Colman has the part of his life. The Academy Award presented to him for this picture as the best male star performance of 1947 was obviously deserved.

From the bright, light-hearted beginning, in which Tony John is playing in "A Gentleman's Gentleman," Colman gradually develops an ever darkening mood of depression which culminates in the blackest depression of all—suicide.

He is offered the part of Othello. Knowing himself powerless in the grip of any characterisation, he is wary of it but cannot resist the opportunity. His ex-wife, Brita (Signe Hasso), follows him into the moors of the "Othello" moors, playing opposite him as Desdemona.

With the aid of photography and directing that must be termed inspired, Colman builds up the suspense steadily, relentlessly. The personality of Othello completely overtakes that of Tony John. He fights against it but is eventually won over. Othello kills Desdemona with a sufficient kiss manifested itself in Tony John's life over the relations between his ex-wife and Bill Friend (Edmond O'Brien), their press agent.

It forces him in his temporary madness to kill an attractive, scatterbrained waitress, Pat Kroll (Shelley Winters), with whom he has formed a more than friendly attachment.

This proves his undoing. In a truly thunderous climax set in the post-murder scene of "Othello," the actor realises that his crime has been discovered—realises for the first time completely that he has actually committed a crime. Following Othello's life pattern to the end, he stabs himself on stage. (Universal)

"THAT WAY WITH WOMEN" (Leo). STARS: Dane Clark, Martha Vickers, Sydney Greenstreet. Hollywood, like the slick-paper magazines and other sources of

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**"PIRATES OF MONTEREY"**

Marguerita (Maria Montez) dallies awhile with square-jawed gun-runner Phillip Kent (Rod Cameron) while duenna Filomena (Tamara Shayne) keeps a wary eye on the goings on.

a genuine bejewelled, rose-behind-the-ear senior named Marguerita she provides a welcome relaxation from the rolling thunder of the rest of the story.

The main gentlemen who dash about crossing sabres at the drop of a hat and generally being pretty violent about the whole thing are a gun-running American named Phillip Kent (Rod Cameron), his aide Plo (Mikhal Rasmussen) and a rebel Major De Kila (Gilbert Roland).

They are all concerned one way or another with a royalist attempt to wrest California from the newborn Mexican Republic. The period is about 1840. This gives them all plenty of opportunity to indulge in the activities previously mentioned as well as to drive weapons through flames in a canyon and drive themselves into the flames of Marguerita's amour.

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MANDRAKE, I'VE NEVER BEEN SO HAPPY IN MY WHOLE LIFE—Oop—  
I DIDN'T MEAN TO BREAK IT UP OUR NEW SET—  
THAT'S ALL RIGHT, DARLING. SWEETLY, MANDRAKE.

**RIP KIRBY**  
I'M SO GLAD YOU LIKE YOUR GIFTS. NOW LET'S PRETEND THEY'RE YOUR BABIES AND YOU'RE MY BABIES AND WE'LL ALL PLAY HOUSE!  
LUPA COME OUTSIDE A MINUTE.  
I HAVE ANOTHER MISSION FOR YOU. TAKE A TAXI TO THE STARBUCKS HOTEL. WHEN AN CAR PULLS UP, WARN MR. STARBUCK IMMEDIATELY.  
IT IS DONE, NON CAPTAIN!  
MEANWHILE, AT THE STARBUCKS HOTEL...  
DON'T CRY, PRETTY LADY!  
I WON'T, SHAWN, EVEN THOUGH YOU DON'T REMEMBER ME. SEE, I'M LAUGHING! NOW LET'S PLAY A GAME!

**JANE**  
I SHALL TREASURE THIS SHAPSHOT OF YOUR DAUGHTER OR BLESSED!  
YOU ARE WELCOME, MY DEAR!—I'M SURE YOU WOULD BOTH HAVE MUCH IN COMMON!  
LATER...  
HAVE YOU WRITTEN TO MRS. MEAKINS EXPLAINING WHY SHE MUSTN'T DISTURB HER HUSBAND'S SCIENTIFIC RESEARCHES, DADDY?  
YES, JANE—AND I'VE MENTIONED YOUR PRESENCE HERE—SO THAT SHE NEED HAVE NO FEAR THAT HE LACKS FEMINE COMPANIONSHIP!  
I'LL GET FOLLOW-UP TO POST IT!  
AND WITH THIS PORTRAIT OF ANNE'S BLESSED ENCLOSURE I DOUBT IF MRS. MEAKINS WILL TROUBLE TO CALL AGAIN!

**"Hamlet" Makes Many New Stars**

Laurence Olivier's film presentation of Shakespeare's "HAMLET" is perhaps the biggest star-making picture ever produced in Britain. The cast includes several players who have never before appeared on the screen.

Credit for the discovery and the use of these new stars rests primarily with Laurence Olivier, who has directed them in the complex and difficult roles in which they appear in "HAMLET."

Amongst the leading players are Eileen Herlie as the Queen, Basil Sydney as the King, John Simmons as Ophelia, and Felix Aylmer as Polonius. Newcomers to British films are Norman Wooland as Horatio, Terence Morgan as Laertes, Anthony Quayle as Marcellus and Peter Cushing as Claudius. Edmund Keate is Bernardo, Stanley Holloway, the First Gravedigger, and Harcourt Williams as First Player.

Two young actors whose reputations should be made by "HAMLET" are Norman Wooland and Terence Morgan. Both are making their screen debut, and although quite different in style, appearance and physique, each can be considered as potential star material.

**Repertory Player**  
Norman Wooland was famous during the war years as a B.B.C. announcer and in the theatre world he is known for his fine work in repertory, particularly at the Festival Theatre, Stratford-on-Avon.

For the role of Laertes, Olivier selected Terence Morgan, a slim, dark, handsome stage actor who had made a big success with Vivien Leigh in Thornton Wilder's "The Skin of Our Teeth." Olivier, who produced the play, thought highly of the young actor's talent, and originally engaged him as the acting under-study for Hamlet. But in common with a number of other young actors, he was tested for the part by Olivier, and his test was so good that he won the role.

Peter Cushing, an actor who has made several appearances in Hollywood productions, plays the role of the Court dandy, Claudius. He is a major part in a British film. Another young actor with a fine appearance who is making his debut in an important film is Anthony Quayle, well-known as an Old Vic player, and also as a producer. He has the part of Marcellus, and although it is not a major part, Anthony Quayle makes a distinct impression.

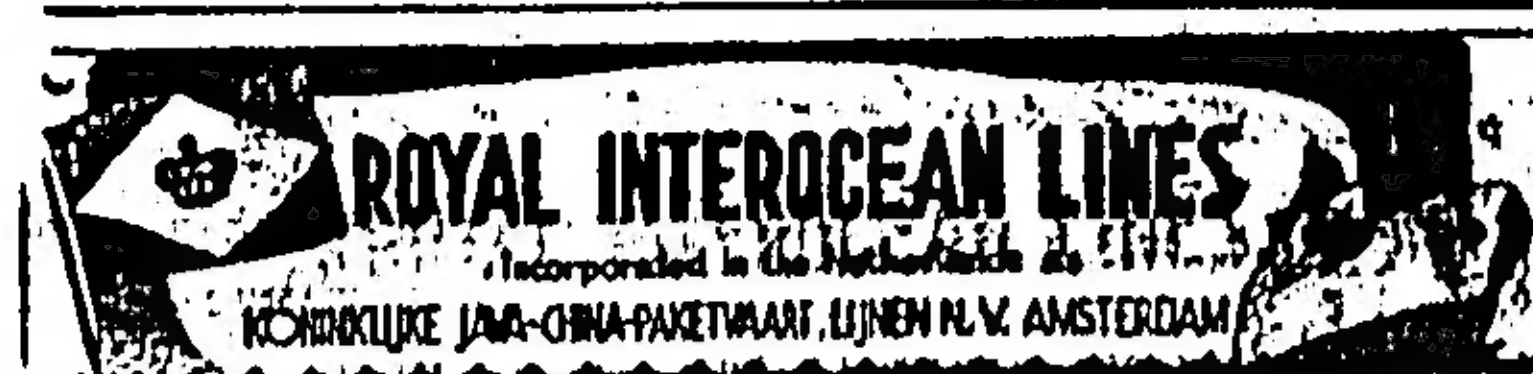
Shakespeare roles cannot be measured in terms of size—some of the smallest contain the most "meat."

"HAMLET" is a landmark in the history of British production and proves conclusively that Britain still has the best actors in the world, especially when they have the advantage of speaking the finest dialogue ever written.









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## FINANCE AND COMMERCE

# USA HAS SENT EUROPE HUGE AMOUNT OF RECOVERY GOODS

Paris, September 16. The United States has sent Europe more than US-\$1,250,000,000 worth of food, goods and machinery since the European Recovery Program went into operation last April, Mr. W. Averell Harriman, special envoy to Europe, announced on Wednesday.

Mr. Harriman made his announcement through the European headquarters of the Economic Co-operation Administration (ECA) here.

The French received US\$97,500,000 worth of coal, metals, dairy products and industrial equipment in August, bringing her total for the period to US\$337,700,000.

Britain was second on the list with US\$87,400,000 worth of food in August and US\$334,100,000 for the whole period.

Other allotments in the ERP were as follows: Belgium, August, US\$33,400,000; entire period April to August, US\$142,800,000.

Greece, US\$31,600,000 and US\$66,300,000; Italy, US\$31,100,000; US\$148,200,000.

Austria, US\$27,500,000; US\$91,000,000; Netherlands, US\$25,300,000; US\$34,700,000.

## Britain's National Debt

London, September 16. Britain's national debt at the end of the financial year on March 31 was £26,722,387,153, according to a Government white paper issued on Tuesday.

War-time advances to Allied Governments, all outstanding, included: Russia, £35,710,000; France, £29,684,893; The Netherlands, £45,000,000; and Turkey, £31,902,284—Associated Press.

## Money Market

Gold continued firm yesterday, opening at \$207.25 a ton and closing at \$208.87 1/2. The opening was the highest rate, and the lowest was \$206.

Plasmas were again quiet and remained stationary at \$11.52 1/2 a 100 throughout the day.

Tin moved upwards to \$25.40 a 100, while NEI Quakers went the other way down to \$39.70 a 100.

U.S. dollars eased off slightly to \$5.17. Both Sterling and Australian pounds dropped the former to \$14 and the latter to \$12.55.

Long-Term U.S. Gov. Bonds, 5%, 1958-1968, 101-1/16; 1962-1972, 102-1/16; 1964-1974, 102-3/16; 1966-1976, 102-5/16; 1968-1978, 102-7/16; 1970-1980, 102-9/16; 1972-1982, 102-11/16; 1974-1984, 102-13/16; 1976-1986, 102-15/16; 1978-1988, 102-17/16; 1980-1990, 102-19/16.

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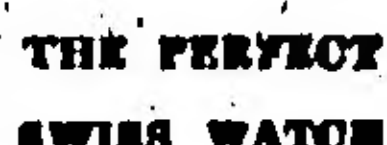
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